

Dear FWP Dept.

6-5-09

I am writing to request a personal review of our water rates. The proposed increases + proposed additional blocks do not take lot size into consideration. Higher use does not equate water waste. We have one of the largest lots in our neighborhood, and we still conserve:

- low flow toilets / shower heads,
- only full loads of laundry + dishes
- no hosing of concrete
- we compost our green waste for mulch
- soaker hoses
- we have reduced our lawn sizes - changed to less thirsty turf + ground covers + plan to cut our flower beds even further.
- years ago we turned off our automatic timers + gauge our watering on a daily as needed basis. Even during the hottest weather we water our ground covers every 5-6 days not twice a week as LA city suggests.

Please until you have the technology to factor in lot size I believe all residential accounts $\leq 1/4$ acre should be billed only up to the 2nd block. We will pay more but at a more equitable rate.

We have struggled for years to lower our Energy bills:

- Our AC Thermostat is off we have a "whole house" attic fan (Thanks for the rebate!) Ceiling fans,
- we took part in your change 10 rebate/program too

we run our AC on only the very hottest days for just a few hours + Never at night.
- our next plan is to change out West-facing windows - Pricey!

- Also on a personal note regarding water use. Our 20 year old son is disabled with severe ~~develp~~ developmental delays. Our laundry is never ending. We ~~are~~ ^{are} trying to teach him to shower himself - unfortunately this almost doubles the shower time.

Finally we realize that costs must increase + that the MWD is demanding reductions in use. All we ask is for some equality regarding lot size + consideration regarding the conservation efforts already in place,

Help us to keep Pasadena Beautiful with Energy Bills we can afford.

Thank you for your consideration
-Mimi Berbee

Customer Name

Matthews C. Berbee 3715 Newhaven Rd, 91107

Acc # 46348-9

Parcel # 3715

Home phone 626 3510949

cell phone 626 8337864

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June 3, 2009

City Clerk
City of Pasadena
100 N. Garfield Avenue, Room S228
Pasadena, CA 91109

WRITTEN PROTEST: Regarding Adoption of Proposed Water Rate Increases by Pasadena Water and Power (PWP)

Assessor's I.D. NO.: 5852 009 021

Address: 1579 Tierra Alta Dr, Pasadena, CA 91104-1717

Dear Sir/Madam:

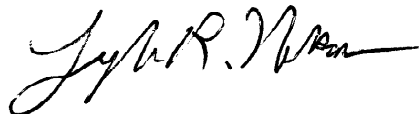
The purpose of this letter is to strongly urge the Pasadena City Council to reject the proposed increases in water rates.

At this time of economic hardship to the homeowners served with water resources by the PWP, simply put, the addition now of these significant increases in water rates is unconscionable.

I protest the increase in the tiered water use rates. I further protest the assignment of a proposed increase to the D&C and FPS increases for a 1" water supply meter service for residences such as my own. The only reason I have installed a 1" service (instead of the more common residential size of 5/8" or 3/4") is due to the fact that my residence is set back from the water main at Layton Street by about 100 yards uphill. In order to assure proper pressure levels and water delivery rates with this setback from the water main, it was recommended that we install a 1" meter. That is the only reason and *we should not suffer a differential charge because of our physical residential set back location. Having the 1" meter for this purpose has **nothing to do with what volume of water we consume.*** Therefore we should not be penalized with this meter charge.

I appreciate the opportunity to comment and exercise my right to protest this proposed increase in water rates.

Sincerely yours,



Lyle R. Nelson
1579 Tierra Alta Dr
Pasadena, CA 91104-1717

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Attn: Pasadena Water and Power

This letter is in protest to the proposed Increase for Water Distribution and Customer Charge (D&C) and Fire Protection Surcharge (FPS), Water Block Restructure, Outside City Rate Reduction, and Seasonal Rate Reduction.

My property parcel number per assessor is 5747-002-035.

I find the D&C and FPS increases which amount to a near doubling in price in just over two years to be way more than a standard adjustment, A more conservative increase would not be so intolerable if it did indeed go to upgrading distribution systems and maintenance, but there is no justification for a such an outrageous rise in price. I am also troubled by reports that some of this money may not actually go to upgrade systems and just be put in the general fund. If that is the case, I protest any rate of increase.

Sincerely,

Sabrina Kaleta
136 S. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91107

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Anita Higginbotham
3595 Grayburn Rd
Pasadena CA 91107-4628

June 5,
2009

Cell (626) 793-4246
Fin. ID# 5754 025 045 08 000
RE: City of Pasadena
FWP Rate Increase
070109

TO Whom it May Concern

I strongly protest the proposed rate increase! It is heinous enough for wage earners - for an indigent social security recipient it is disastrous. And you have no "lifeline" reduced rates such as the other utilities.

As it is - being a very GREEN person - I water at most once a week, much of it even less. If this is ratified, I'll have to plant cacti on all my property.

Mine is a very large corner property - and I don't believe lot size is considered (30 feet from the next property was added to original owners. (Tract # 8616 E 30ft of Lot 257 and all of Lot 258).

Chapman Woods' Sundryslope well water goes to City of Pasadena, and yet, we pay 25% more than residents of Pasadena City. This is discrimination at its worst. THIS IS A FORMAL REQUEST TO REVISIT/REOPEN/REDO/REWORK THAT INCREDIBLY UNFAIR AGREEMENT/CONTRACT.

I am giving a copy of this protest to Hal Kennedy of Chapman Woods to advise him of my protest. Thank you,
Hal Kennedy, Anita H. Higginbotham

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1469 W. Marshall Blvd.
San Bernardino, CA 92405
May 14, 2009

City of Pasadena
100 N. Garfield Ave.
Pasadena, CA 91101

RE: PROPOSED INCREASE IN WATER AND TRASH RATES

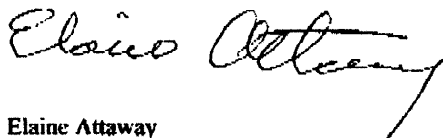
To Whom It May Concern:

I own a small six-unit apartment building at 1140 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena. I recently received your notice of a proposed increase in the rates for my water and trash, which I provide for the tenants. There have been several raises in the rates over the last nine years that I have owned the building. These have been reasonable but still with everything else increasing, this has forced me to increase my rents accordingly. This time you are proposing roughly a fifty percent increase. Upon discussing this with my resident manager, which in turn prompted her to discuss it with people living in the neighborhood. I discovered you are only proposing an eleven to fifteen percent increase on single family residents. You have lumped my property with large complexes of over one hundred units. The owners of these buildings can distribute that type of increase over many units. Furthermore, I've discovered through talking to many prospective tenants that many large complexes have the tenants pay their water and trash.

As it is with the large amount I pay in mortgage payments every month, \$5,000.00 a year in property tax, \$1,600.00 in insurance, there is very little left over. There is a gardener to keep the appearance nice and the various other things that are ongoing expenses with rental property. Any additional expenses can only translate to forcing me to raise the rents to the point of turning my property into a transient building with the tenants just staying long enough to find another place. I do not want that. I pride myself in having nice apartments at a reasonable price, so nice respectable hardworking people can have a nice home at an affordable price.

My proposal, based on the average price I pay for a four bedroom home for water and trash is \$53.00-\$57.00 a month, is you need to assess each unit at no more than \$50.00 per unit. That would mean that winter and summer my bill would never exceed six hundred for the two month billing cycle. I believe this is needed in order to insure I can continue to water the yard and keep the property an attribute to the Pasadena Neighborhood it's in. This would allow me to keep the rents where they are now. The City would realize some increase, primarily in the winter months, but it would be fair as far as the size of the overall livable space and lot size. Pasadena needs to think of themselves as partners with the property owners if they have an interest in bringing Pasadena back to the City it once was and could be again.

Sincerely,



Elaine Attaway

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Jomsky, Mark

From: humanchange@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Monday, June 08, 2009 1:46 PM
To: Mermell, Steve; Bogaard, Bill; Gordo, Victor; Holden, Chris; Robinson, Jacque; McAustin, Margaret; Haderlein, Steve; Madison, Steve; Tornek, Terry; Jomsky, Mark; Henry Sherrod; Flores, Alejandrina (HSR); Chilin, Jeff
Subject: Another Neighborhood President's reply re: Effect of city ordinances

FYI,

The Neighborhood presidents want sufficient time to let their residents know about the Water Shortage Ordinance public hearing(s).

Any system designed to produce a pre-ordained outcome rather than a free and fair trial by the people is irreparably unjust. The implications of the proposed water shortage changes must be allowed much more public comments BEFORE, instead of after, the city's intention to make it into a binding ordinance mandatory on all residents city-wide.

I have plead with all of you Council members during your Council Meeting to use the slowing down process and now there is this crossroads as to whether you will hold firm in defense of the core principle of fairness, or not. To be fair to the residents I again plead for the slowing down process because the Neighborhood Association presidents have not voiced their pro or con positions.

Your stated intentions are to severely punish residents for infractions and offenses but this is a topic issue that has not been put any voting ballot and the governing body of the city must be held accountable to the public citizenry's input first, not after, the ordinance is passed.--Nancy Nelson

--- On Sun, 6/7/09, Karen Hovanitz <karenhovanitz@hotmail.com> wrote:

From: Karen Hovanitz <karenhovanitz@hotmail.com>
Subject: RE: Urgent and important Pasadena city council ordinance topic issue
To: humanchange@sbcglobal.net
Date: Sunday, June 7, 2009, 10:19 PM

Thank you for this timely information. I will send it to our neighborhood association list.
Karen



June 4, 2009

DOUG COLLIFLOWER, PGA
RECEIVED Managing Partner

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Dear Mayor Bogaard and Pasadena City Council,

**CITY OF PASADENA PWP RATE INCREASE 070109
EATON CANYON GOLF COURSE
1150 N. SIERRA MADRE VILLA AVENUE
PASADENA 91107
PARCELS 8940 378 028 3 & 8940 378 029 2**

I am writing to protest the proposed water rate increase.

I lease the Altadena and Eaton Canyon Golf Courses from the County of Los Angeles. I am responsible for all operational costs associated with these golf courses. Yet, the County sets green fees and has oversight over all other rates. The County, rightly so, has been reticent to increase fees lately due to the dramatic downturn to the golf industry. And lately, due the recession.

Last year water rates increased 13% and cost me an additional \$66,500 in water expense. And as noted above, I could not increase my pricing to help offset the increase. The proposed increase for 2009 will add an additional \$100,000 ± to my water cost! And a similar increase for 2010!

There is simply no way that I can absorb such increases. I will have no choice but to dramatically reduce usage, which I realize is part of your objective. However, reducing water use to the degree that I will be forced to, will dramatically reduce the playing quality of these golf courses. This most likely will negatively impact revenues, placing additional strains on my business.

These golf courses benefit the community and its citizens. I urge you to reconsider these proposed increases.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Doug Colliflower', written over a horizontal line.

Douglas W. Colliflower, PGA
Managing Partner



June 4, 2009

DOUG COLLIFLOWER, PGA
RECEIVED Managing Partner

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Dear Mayor Bogaard and Pasadena City Council,

**CITY OF PASADENA PWP RATE INCREASE 070109
ALTADENA GOLF COURSE
1456 E. MENDOCINO ST.
ALTADENA 91001
PARCEL 8940 378 021 0**

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Douglas W. Colliflower, PGA
Managing Partner

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Subject: Proposed Water Rates Increases and Threshold Changes by Pasadena Water and Power

We, the owners of the property located at 25 So. Fair Oaks Avenue, oppose the proposed water rate increases and threshold changes by Pasadena Water and Power for the following reasons:

- 1) The proposed increases would be very difficult for small businesses. We are in very difficult economic times. The recession is especially hurting small businesses. Now is not the time to increase water rates when small businesses are experiencing lagging sales and difficulty with paying current bills and employee salaries.
- 2) The needs for increased water rates are partly the result of over building of residential apartments and/or condos. The affects of new building on the city's utility systems must be a major consideration in granting building permits, especially, in the case of water, when we are in limited supply due to drought.

Sincerely,



Calvin E. Smith and Phyllis E. Smith, Owners
Property at 25 So. Fair Oaks Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91105

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